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**PATENT**

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of )  
Yafuso et al. ) For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
Serial No.: 09/881,410 ) PROVIDING A PRIVATE  
 ) COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IN  
 ) A PUBLIC SWITCHED  
 ) TELEPHONE NEWORK  
 )  
Filed: June 14, 2001 ) Group Art Unit: 2666

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: Dang Ton  
Primary Examiner

Dear Mr. Ton:

In response to the Office Action of December 30, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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